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Prior to an examination of the above-referenced application on the merits, please amend the application as follows:

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Please replace the BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS section as originally filed (i.e., page 19, line 9 – page 21, line 3) with the following:

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

FIGURE 1 shows the binding curves of three of the monoclonal antibodies that recognized the recombinant polypeptide complex, produced in accordance with Example 7C.